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¶1. (C) Poloff delivered ref A NIACT demarche on June 16 to MFA duty officer Jean-Louis Falconi and MFA DAS-equivalent for Russia and the former Soviet Union countries, Aurelia Bouchez. Falconi undertook to discuss the demarche with the appropriate MFA officials. DAS Bouchez agreed to contact the IO bureau and the French mission in Geneva to lobby against eliminating the Belarus special rapporteur which she agreed was vital to the EU's Belarus strategy.

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